

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Max Ehlert in Conference Room C.

PRESENT: Anita Elenbaum  
Max Ehlert  
W. Stan Godlewski  
Captain Gary Mayer  
James Moseley  
James Peard  
Terry Colussi, Clerk/Typist

ABSENT: David Balagna  
Stephanie Robotnik  
Thomas Sawyer  
Sgt. George Zielinski

Moved by J. Peard, seconded by J. Moseley, to EXCUSE the absent members.  
APPROVED unanimously

Moved by J. Moseley, seconded by A. Elenbaum, to APPROVE the minutes of the July 8, 2002 meeting as printed.  
APPROVED unanimously

#### AGENDA ITEMS:

1. **TROY PARADISE, INC.** requests a **new Specially Designated Distributor (SDD)** license, located at 5945 John R, Troy, Michigan 49085, Oakland County, to be held in conjunction with proposed **new Specially Designated Merchant (SDM)** license. [MLCC Req ID#186120]

Present to answer questions from the committee were Sandy Cotter, Attorney for Troy Paradise, Inc., Sadik Sadik, shareholder of Troy Paradise, Inc. and Louay Joulakh, Mr. Sadik's brother-in-law.

Ms. Cotter presented the committee with an information packet that included a layout of the building. They are working with distributors at this time to stock the store. They should be ready to open within a few weeks. This is to be a family run operation with a few employees to be hired when business increases. Cotter explained that they have good experience with this type of business; they live in Troy and have a strong commitment to the community.

Moseley inquired as to what experience they have in liquor sales. The owners have 5 years experience in the supermarket business in Jordan. This is the first business they have owned in the United States.

Ehlert inquired as to the hours of business and who will be working in the business. The business will be open from 8:00 am. to 10:00 pm. and will be run by family members until the business requires more employees.

Ehlert inquired as to the type of training the employees would receive. Ms. Cotter explained that Mrs. Sadik will go to the TAM course to be certified and then she will train the rest of the staff. Mrs. Sadik is in the process of completing this State requirement.

Moseley stated that at one time they held back the SDD license on a requesting business until there was sufficient time to track the way the business was run. It is possible to give a SDM license and then when credibility has been established, reconsider the SDD license. Elhert inquired if this was something that been considered by the Troy Paradise Inc., representatives.

Ms. Cotter explained that the Liquor Control Board already went through their exhausting background check and they were just waiting for the local Police Department background check to be forwarded to them. Ms. Cotter reemphasized that profits are mainly from liquor sales thus making the SDD very important to their business.

Elhert inquired as to where other party stores are located in proximity to the location of Troy Paradise. There were many stores named that are in the same general area.

Moved by J. Moseley, to grant Troy Paradise, Inc. a **new Specially Designated Merchant (SDM)** license for 90 days so we can review the business and then after 90 days they can request a **new Specially Designated Distributor (SDD)** license. Seconded by S. Godlewski, APPROVED 5 votes yes, 1 opposed.

Elhert advised the committee from Troy Paradise, Inc. that this will now be an agenda item before City Council and they can make their presentation. Capt. Mayer advised that Sgt. Zielinski would be calling the Troy Paradise representatives.

2. **CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN, INC.** requests a Corporate **Reorganization** as made by **CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN, INC.** in connection with 2001 12 Months Resort Class C licensed business with Official Permit (Food). [MLCC REF# 132874]

Present to answer questions from the committee were Pat Alandt, Attorney for California Pizza Kitchen, Inc. and Olivia Huynh, manager of California Pizza Kitchen, Inc.

The original owner of California Pizza Kitchen, Inc. was Pepsi Co., they sold off the business and it is now a publicly owned company. California Pizza Inc. has been located in Troy for 7 years. The state has approved the reorganization of the Livonia, Ann Arbor and Troy businesses. They are seeking local government approval for the reorganization.

Moved by M. Elhert, seconded by S. Godlewski to APPROVE the above request. APPROVED unanimously